

SENATE BILL 2727

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,
Chapter 11, relative to MRSA infection.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 11, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

68-11-____. All hospitals licensed by the department of health or by the department of mental health and developmental disabilities shall perform targeted surveillance for methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus in high-risk populations, as locally defined by the department of health, consistent with the federal centers for disease control and prevention guidelines.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.